Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company Docket Nos. D.T.E. 02-24 and D.T.E. 02-25 Responses to the Department's Third Set of Information Requests

Request No. DTE 3-16:

Refer to Exhibits FGE-SCH-3 and FGE-SCH-4 of Mr. Hadaway's prefiled testimony (gas and electric). Attached is copy of an excel schedule. Please complete this schedule using the appropriate data from each of the companies included in Fitchburg's comparison group for the years 1997 through 2001.

Response:

Please see Common Discovery* Attachment 3-16. To the extent available, the data in this Attachment come from the Value Line sheets for each company in the comparable group. Data asked for in the Excel schedule, but not available on the Value Line sheets, are referred to as "N/A" in the Attachment. For the "N/A" data, the witness does not otherwise have this data, and furthermore, the requested Excel schedule does not provide definitions or formulae for the requested ratios, some of which are subject to interpretation and are sometimes calculated in different ways by financial analysts, depending on the purpose of the analysis.

Person Responsible: Samuel C. Hadaway

*Common Discovery is any attachment that is identical for D.T.E. 02-24 and D.T.E. 02-25